

Florida. After 36 years of dedicated service to Hernando County, Larry will retire this fall.

Throughout his tenure, Larry has been a dedicated steward of Hernando County. He has involved himself in the creation of numerous growth management regulations and comprehensive planning strategies to accommodate the rapid growth in the county. His resume alone makes him worthy of this proclamation: He has held the positions of Planning and Zoning Administrator; Deputy Director of the Development Department; Planning Director; Assistant County Administrator for Growth and Development Services; and the Director of Growth and Development for Hernando County. He will retire as the Deputy County Administrator for Hernando County.

However, it is his genuine ability to work with both the public and business communities, and numerous Federal, State, and local officials, including myself, which has brought me to the floor today.

I worked with Larry from 1988 to 1990 when he was the Planning and Zoning Administrator and again from 1990 to 1992 when I was the County Commissioner. I always found him to be thorough, incredibly accurate and, despite his serious demeanor, he was quick to laugh at a good joke.

I wish him the very best of health and happiness in his retirement. However, I must take this opportunity to remind him that he is far too young to sit in a rocking chair.

#### COMMEMORATIVE CLASSIC FOOTBALL GAME BETWEEN JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY AND LIVINGSTONE COLLEGE

#### HON. MELVIN L. WATT

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2009

Mr. WATT. Madam Speaker, on December 27, 1892 the first college football game between two historically black institutions of higher education was played in Salisbury, North Carolina. On October 3, 2009 the Livingstone College and Johnson C. Smith University football teams will extend this 117-year rivalry in the 2009 Commemorative Classic Football Game.

I rise to recognize and pay tribute to Livingstone College and Johnson C. Smith University as they prepare to participate in this historic game which is being held in my Congressional District.

Collegiate sports provide a backdrop for a multitude of life's lessons and a crucible in which many of society's leaders are shaped. To quote former Livingstone College president S.E. Duncan, "The claim that football engenders school spirit has seldom been challenged. For the stimulation of academic improvement, for its impact on the citizenship of our students and the outcomes of physical fitness, football comes increasingly to the attention for consideration . . . May we remember those who learned how to win and lose."

I wish continued success to Livingstone College and Johnson C. Smith University, and best of success in this year's game to Dr. Jimmy Jenkins, President of Livingstone College, and to Dr. Ronald Carter, President of Johnson C. Smith University. I am honored and privileged to represent these institutions

and their outstanding scholars-athletes in Congress.

#### 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAXMAN-HATCH ACT

#### HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2009

Mr. WAXMAN. Madam Speaker, twenty-five years ago, President Ronald Reagan signed the landmark Waxman-Hatch law, delivering generic drug competition to the American marketplace. Since that time, generic drugs have provided millions of American consumers with access to low-cost, yet safe and effective drugs. In the last decade alone, generics have saved consumers, businesses, and state and federal governments \$734 billion. American consumers fill more than six of every ten prescriptions with safe and effective generic medicines. During these difficult economic times, generic pharmaceuticals are critical to assuring that patients continue to have access to lifesaving medicines. Making sure that Americans have access to, and can afford, life-saving medicines has been one of my chief goals as a Member of Congress, and I am proud of the success of generic competition in helping achieve that goal.

Since passage of the Hatch-Waxman law, we have seen a shift in the pharmaceutical marketplace to permit greater competition and innovation—a win-win for purchasers and manufacturers alike. As a result, millions of Americans have access to safe and affordable generic medicines and our health care bill is much lower than it otherwise would have been. There is still much more we can do to increase savings from generic drugs. We should not only celebrate the 25th anniversary of Hatch-Waxman, but we should use it as motivation to ensure there is real generic competition for biotech medications. Let us show Americans that we understand that they deserve access to affordable medicine and give them a pathway that provides reasonable incentives for innovation, but does not pose unnecessary barriers to competition.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. YVETTE D. CLARKE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2009

Ms. CLARKE. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 718, had I been present, I would have voted "no."

#### IN HONOR OF REBY CARY

#### HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2009

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition Reby Cary, a man who has contributed extensively to the Fort Worth community. His life achievements are being celebrated this month by family and friends at New Rising Star Baptist Church.

Mr. Cary's life has been one of patriotism, service and achievement. After graduating from I. M. Terrell High School, he earned a B.A. in History and Political Science at Prairie View A&M University. He started the path to a higher degree, but would first answer the call to duty. While forced to endure the numerous social inequalities of the time, Mr. Cary served ably and honorably as one of the first African American Radiomen First Class in the Coast Guard, supporting combat operations in the Pacific Ocean aboard the U.S.S. *Cambria* during World War II.

Mr. Cary returned to complete his Master of Science degree at Prairie View A&M University in 1948. He later participated in graduate studies at Texas Christian University and North Texas State University. He would then go on to educate future generations as an instructor at Dunbar High School and as a professor at numerous institutions. He served as Dean of Personnel at McDonald College of Industrial Arts, and Associate Dean of Student Life and Director of Minority Affairs at the University of Texas in Arlington.

He also broke barriers in public service as the first African American on the Fort Worth ISD School Board, as well as serving as the Texas State Representative from District 95. Mr. Cary has also given back to his community through his service with many area organizations, including volunteering with the Boy Scouts, United Way, Rotary Club of Arlington, and President of the Fort Worth Metropolitan Black Chamber of Commerce. And through all of this, he also found time to be an accomplished author.

He continues to have an impact on the community through his insight and advice. Mr. Cary has always been available to take my phone calls and he has been a rich source of information and history regarding Tarrant County and the City of Fort Worth. He has a unique ability to bring the correct historical context to some of the more contentious debates today. His commitment to the community has continued through his daughter, Faith Ellis' active political and community advocacy in issues such as infant mortality and support for medical research.

It is with great honor that I recognize Reby Cary as a man who has served the Fort Worth community for over a half century as someone dedicated to the education and advancement of all. His is a legacy of service to the City of Fort Worth, the State of Texas and this great Nation, and one that will endure. I am proud to represent him the U.S. House of Representatives.

#### OBSERVATION OF NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

#### HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 25, 2009

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month. The observation of September as National Hispanic Heritage Month began in 1968 with the designation of Hispanic Heritage Week. It was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period. Now, every year from September 15 to October 15, we proudly celebrate the histories, cultures and contributions of Americans whose